



## Volunteering and Work Experience with the Furniture Scheme

The Furniture Scheme is a social enterprise and charity. We aim to help those experiencing/affected by poverty or discrimination by providing low cost essential household equipment and by offering training. The organisation has become a diverse and innovative flagship social enterprise.

- We depend on our volunteers and value them highly
- You can start with a taster session
- Full training and support is given
- Hours/days are negotiable
- Help is given with travel expenses
- We give support to update CV's and guidance on job applications.

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### Renaissance Centre, Ludlow Customer Service Assistant

In our shop we need help with answering telephone calls, dealing with enquiries, making sales, using the till and credit card machine, keeping displays looking attractive and using a computer. We are flexible with time as you are being generous with yours, but ideally either 9.30am - 1pm or 1pm - 5pm.



### The Warehouse, Ludlow

Volunteers assist with answering the phone and the booking of collections and deliveries. We also need help with cleaning appliances, going out on our vans as 'van buddies', serving customers and general warehousing. Our waste management project involves dismantling sofas, washing machines and other items for recycling. Times to suit you but you will need to be reasonably fit as it's quite hard work! **Volunteer Drivers urgently needed.**



### Carpentry Workshop, Ludlow

Volunteers carry out a variety of tasks from stripping and polishing donated furniture to more challenging projects.

Hours to suit, mornings or afternoons on a Monday or Tuesday, to fit in with our current team. You will be provided with full workshop training.



### The Charity Bookshop, Craven Arms

Volunteers also needed to help out in the Charity Bookshop.

We also manage

## **Rockspring Community Centre, Ludlow and Craven Arms Community Centre (CasCA)**

We often have volunteer vacancies at both of our community centres and roles include catering assistant, caretaker assistant, event support assistants, customer service and admin support.



### **Volunteer voices:**

"My confidence has gone through the roof!"

"It's great knowing that I am helping the community in some way, but it's also great being able to put the skills I am learning to good use at home. It's what you call a "win, win" situation!"

"When I first joined the Furniture Scheme my confidence was very low, I started volunteering in carpentry and found out I had skills I didn't know I had!" - Carpentry Volunteer

"I think I'm more outgoing since I've been here and I don't let myself be taken for granted any more." - CasCA Volunteer

" I would urge anyone who is thinking of becoming a volunteer to come to the Furniture Scheme. It's great!!" - Re-use Centre Volunteer

**Could you help us to help others in the local community?**

If you would like to volunteer or would be interested in discussing this further, please drop this form into any of our sites and we will contact you.

Name .....

Address .....

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Telephone .....

Mobile .....

Email .....

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We believe in continual improvement and we welcome feedback. Your comments, complaints or suggestions will be handled by Jean Jarvis MBE, Chief Executive, who can be contacted by email, letter or telephone:

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